IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with <u>underlining</u> and deleted text with <u>strikethrough</u>. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 1, 3-8 and 16 and CANCEL claim 17 in accordance with the following:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of constructing a software system in a computer connected to a center via a network, comprising:

storing information about development situations, know-how, and knowledge in a solution bank at the center by a unit-in units of a-solution pattern patterns, said information including software components of a default software system;

selecting a solution pattern that is applicable to a customer;

customizing the default software system;

downloading contents including <u>at least one or more of</u> the software components of the default software system corresponding to a desired software system the selected solution <u>pattern</u> to install the default software system in the computer, and

constructing the <u>a</u> desired software system based on the installed default software system.

- 2. (ORIGINAL) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the solution bank stores information on an application environment including proposals, designs, software, know-how, and a programming environment.
- 3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said step of obtaining downloading contents comprises the steps of:

accessing the solution bank based on information including a business model, transaction forms, and a project size; and

selecting items of desired information from items presented by the solution bank.

4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said step of ebtainingdownloading contents comprises the steps of:

accessing the solution bank based on information including a-the solution pattern, a machine being used, a product being used; and

supplying an application environment of a-the default system from the solution bank to the computer in which the desired software system is to be constructed.

5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein said step of obtaining downloading contents further comprises the:

step of supplying design documents of the default software system from the solution bank to the computer in which the desired software system is to be constructed.

- 6. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the solution bank provides a solution pattern categorized according to a business-transaction model which is requested by the computer in which the desired <u>software</u> system is to be constructed.
- 7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the solution bank provides only a partial function of a solution pattern for the computer in which the desired software system is to be constructed.
- 8. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

checking components incorporated into a-the default software system which is used as a basis for the desired software system; and

utilizing the checked components for a computer in which another system is to be constructed.

9-15. (CANCELLED)

16. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A machine-readable memory medium having a program embodied therein for constructing a software system in a computer connected to a center via a network, the program comprising:

a solution-pattern providing program with a solution bank, which stores information

about development situations, know-how, and knowledge by a unit in units of a-solution pattern patterns at the center and selects a solution pattern that is applicable to a customer, the information including software components of a default software system to provide the information as a-the solution pattern or a portion of the solution pattern in response to a request and the default software system being customized; and

a system-construction program with a system-construction device that downloads contents, including <u>at least one or more of</u> the software components of the default software system, corresponding to <u>a desired software system the selected solution pattern</u> from the solution bank to install the default software system so as to construct the <u>a</u> desired software system based on the installed default software system.

17. (CANCELLED)